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## Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

The present communication responds to the Office Action dated November 16, 2004, in the above-identified application. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.